

**AN ORDINANCE BY
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

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AN ORDINANCE TO CONVERT PONCE DE LEON AVENUE, N.E. BETWEEN PEACHTREE STREET, N.E. AND SPRING STREET, N.W. FROM A ONE-WAY STREET TO A TWO-WAY STREET SO AS TO PROVIDE AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT TO THE OPERATION OF THE CONNECT ATLANTA PLAN, TO RESTRICT ON-STREET PARKING ON CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE STREET, AND TO DESIGNATE A LOADING ZONE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Connect Atlanta Plan is the City of Atlanta's ("City") first Comprehensive Traffic Plan to evaluate all modes of transportation including roadway, air, transit, freight, bicycle, and walking facilities to reduce congestion, meet the demands of a growing population, create an improved quality of living and create viable alternatives to single-occupancy vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Connect Atlanta Plan provides the City with a prioritized list of transit, roadway and alternative transportation improvements; and

WHEREAS, the conversion of Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E. between Peachtree Street, N.E. and Spring Street, N.W. for two-way traffic operations is one of the projects identified in the Connect Atlanta Plan (Project ID #OW-001); and

WHEREAS, the two-way conversion is anticipated to provide better connectivity for nearby road users including vehicular and bicycle traffic; and

WHEREAS, approximately 170 feet of curb space will be designated for loading space which was a loading area in the past; and

WHEREAS, Midtown Alliance spearheaded implementation of the two-way conversion plan, including hiring consultants to study, design and implement the two-way conversion; and

WHEREAS, the project will be implemented using federal funds and Midtown Alliance will provide any additional funds needed beyond federal funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, as follows:

SECTION 1: That Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E. between Peachtree Street, N.E. and Spring Street, N.W. be converted from a one-way street to a two-way street.

SECTION 2: That on-street parking be prohibited at the following sections of Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E.:

- a) Both sides of Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E. between Spring Street, N.W. and West Peachtree Street, N.W.

- b) The South side of Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E. between West Peachtree Street, N.W. and Peachtree Street, N.E.
- c) The North side of Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E. from approximately 264 feet East of West Peachtree Street, N.W. to approximately 330 feet East of West Peachtree Street, N.W.

SECTION 3: That the North side of Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.W., from approximately 330 feet east of West Peachtree Street, N.W. to approximately 500 feet East of West Peachtree Street, N.W., be designated as a loading zone.

SECTION 4: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed in this instance only.

Part II: Legislative White Paper: (This portion of the Legislative Request Form will be shared with City Council members and staff)

A. To be completed by Legislative Counsel:

Committee of Purview: Transportation Committee

Caption:

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Council Meeting Date: June 4, 2012 (1st read) & June 18, 2012 (final action)

Requesting Dept.: Department of Public Works

B. To be completed by the department:

1. Please provide a summary of the purpose of this legislation (Justification Statement).

The purpose of this legislation is to : 1) Convert a portion of Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E. to two-way traffic operations, 2) Restrict parking at certain portions of the street to implement the two-way traffic conversion, 3) Designate approximately 170 feet of space for loading and unloading only

2. Please provide background information regarding this legislation.

The conversion of Ponce de Leon Avenue between Peachtree Street and Spring Street for two-way traffic operations is one of the projects identified in the Connect Atlanta Plan (Project ID #OW-001). The Connect Atlanta Plan is the City's Comprehensive Transportation Plan. The two-way conversion is anticipated to provide better connectivity for nearby road users including vehicular and bicycle traffic. Midtown Alliance spearheaded the implementation including hiring consultants to conduct study, design and implement the two-way conversion. Federal funds will pay for the project and Midtown Alliance will provide any additional funds needed.

3. If Applicable/Known:

- (a) Contract Type:**
- (b) Source Selection:**
- (c) Bids/Proposals Due:**
- (d) Invitations Issued:**
- (e) Number of Bids:**
- (f) Proposals Received:**
- (g) Bidders/Proponents:**
- (h) Term of Contract:**

4. Fund Account Center:

5. Source of Funds:

6. Fiscal Impact

7. Method of Cost Recovery:

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TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

TO: MAYOR'S OFFICE

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Originating Department: Department of Public Works

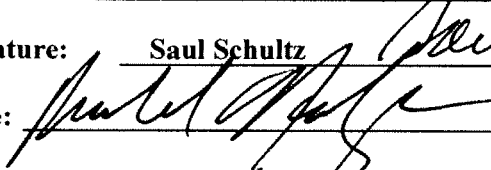
Committee(s) of Purview: Transportation Committee

Chief of Staff Deadline: May 11, 2012

Anticipated Committee Meeting Date(s): May 30, 2012 & June 13, 2012 (2nd read)

Anticipated Full Council Date: June 4, 2012 (1st read) & June 18, 2012 (final action)

Legislative Counsel's Signature: Saul Schultz

MS Commissioner's Signature: 

Chief Information Officer Signature (for IT Procurements) _____

Chief Procurement Officer Signature: _____

CAPTION

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